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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants are submitting herewith copies of the documents listed in the attached form equivalent to Form PTO-1449 for the Examiner's consideration.

This information disclosure statement is being submitted before the mailing date of a first office action on the merits.

To the extent the documents listed on the attached form equivalent to Form PTO-1449 are not in the English language, the requirement of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for a concise explanation of the relevance is satisfied by an English language translation of the documents.

It is respectfully requested that this information disclosure statement be considered by the Examiner.

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